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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated October 30, 2008, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on January 30, 2009, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding objection and rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the following remarks.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this Response.